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Term Dates 2018

Term 1 2018

Wednesday 31st January
2pm Thursday 29th March

Term 2 2018

Monday 16th April -
Friday 29th June

Important Dates

Monday	12 th March	• Labour Day : Public Holiday
Wednesday	14 th March	• 'Welcome Back' BBQ 5.30 – 7pm • School Council Nominations Close
Thursday	15 th March	• Hospital Passport Information Session 9 - 12
Friday	16 th March	• Parents and Friends Gathering in Staffroom after Assembly
Monday	19 th March	• School Council 7pm Staffroom
Thursday	22 nd March	• Easter Raffle Tickets Returned
Wednesday	23 rd March	• Last day for Hot Cross Bun Orders for SDS Fundraiser
Monday	26 th March	• Easter Raffle Drawn
Thursday	29 th March	• End of Term 1 : 2pm Finish

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

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Welcome Back BBQ

Please join us on Wednesday 14th of March from 5:30 to 7 PM to enjoy a welcome back barbecue with our school community. Kangaroo Flat Rotary are kindly providing a free barbecue to feed us all and there will be jumping castles, snow cones, fairy floss, face painting and a great opportunity to chat with staff and families alike. We look forward to seeing you there.



Easter Egg raffle

We have had a number of donations for the Easter Egg Raffle, but are asking families for contributions, please. Raffle tickets have gone home. Each book is worth \$10 (using both sides of tickets). Please keep these coming in and return them to the office by Thursday 22nd March. Every little bit of fundraising helps us implement our great programs for all students.

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Great Start Conferences

Thank you to everyone who came along to meet with your child's teaching team during our Great Start Conferences last Wednesday. Teachers are now finalising student goals and programs and moderating these with Leading Teachers and their curriculum planning groups. We will then be creating your child's Personalised Learning Support Plan (PLSP - what used to be called an ILP) and these will be sent home in the first week of Term 2.

Kalianna vs SDS Cricket Match

A wonderful time was had by all, at the Kalianna Vs SDS cricket match on Wednesday. Our team was made up of a large number of students who have not represented SDS before in interschool sports. They trained for a few days before the big game and we saw a great improvement in their skills. Unfortunately, we did not bring home the trophy, but we did bring home plenty of big smiles, great laughs, happy memories and new skills – and that's a win in my book!

SWPBS Parent Club Reward Day

Thank you to our amazing Parent SWPBS Team who rewarded all of our students with an Icy Pole or Ice Cream today. This is part of our wider acknowledgement system to reward our Students for Acting Safely, Showing Respect and Being Their Best at the start of the new schooling year. Do not forget to refer to your SWPBS Handbook to explain how these set of expectations work in our school and how they could be transfer to your home setting. In addition, if you have any questions, please contact the school, and a parent member would be happy to chat you through their positive experiences with SWPBS in their home.

Hospital Passport



Recently I attended a meeting to learn about a pilot project run by Bendigo Health. The project creates a document called a Hospital Passport and is designed to be a one stop shop of all the information that relates to your child. It covers things such as how they communicate, what they like to eat and drink; how they will demonstrate particular feelings and how health practitioners can best interact with your child. The idea is that information is on file at the hospital, although, you will also have a copy, and this stops you having to repeat or explaining your child and their preferences repeatedly. One of our families recently used this Passport during a hospital admission for an operation and found it to be invaluable. We are currently organising a workshop day at the school for parents and carers to come along and make these documents. The date for this information session is **Thursday 15th March, 9 - 12**

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Town 1 : 0427 287 843	Jack & Joy
Town 2 : 0428 159 660	Peter & Cynthia
Town 3 : 0428 261 802	Max, Olivia & George
Town 4 : 0429 118 349	Darryl & Katrina
Wedderburn : 0427 380 040	Peter & Janine
Castlemaine : 0409 421 500	Ray & Debbie
Heathcote : 0429 177 732	Phillip & Angela
Malmsbury : 0428 271 824	David & Raelene
Kyneton : 0428 236 271	Steve & Helen

Buses

If you have any concerns or would like to make any changes to the buses, please contact the school.

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This Term the Fundraising Committee has once again holding the Easter Raffle. We would greatly appreciate your support in this, and all money raised will go towards valuable projects to improve our school facilities and equipment for all students. The raffle prizes are to be hampers of Easter eggs. If each family could donate an egg, bunny or other relevant Easter item, this would make for a brilliant prize pool!



- **Donations will be collected from classrooms each day, and it would help us greatly if these could be brought in no later than Thursday 22nd March, please, so that the hampers can be put together.**
- *Raffle books and sales money will need to be returned no later than Thursday 22nd March, also, thank you.*
- **The raffle is to be drawn at assembly on Monday 26th March.**

Thank you for your support, Bendigo SDS Staff and Students

Bendigo SDS Footy Tipping : Entry Fee: \$25 Footy tipping, like last year, will be on the website www.footytips.com.au . After the end of each round, all the tips will be automatically updated on the website. All tips need to be entered **before** the first game of each round. If you forget to do your tipping then you will get the away teams. Each round there will be one game where you need to pick a margin. This will help determine your place on the ladder. **More than one person with the same amount of correct tips.**



The prize money is as follows:

First Prize	:	50% of the total prize pool
Second Prize	:	25% of the total prize pool
Third Prize	:	15% of the total prize pool
Fourth Prize	:	10% of the total prize pool

The Jackpot

Each week \$5 is put into a jackpot, so if anyone that can correctly get all tips correct for that round, will win it. In the event that more than one people gets all the tips correct it will then go off lowest margin for that round. For example: if player one gets all tips correct has a margin of 14 and player two gets all tips correct and has a margin of 3 then player two will win the Jackpot because of the lower margin.

Anyone wishing to play can write their name on the sign-up sheet in the staff room or let School Reception know, and they will get your email address so the log in details can be sent through to you.

Matt Higgins



**Attention parents, carers, family and friends,
Our school has registered for the Coles Sports for
Schools program: 7th February until 15th June**

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Please keep your Coles vouchers, which you get for every \$10 spent at Coles, and drop them in at the special collection box in the school office foyer. The more we can all collect the more sporting equipment we can purchase for our students. Thanks for your support.



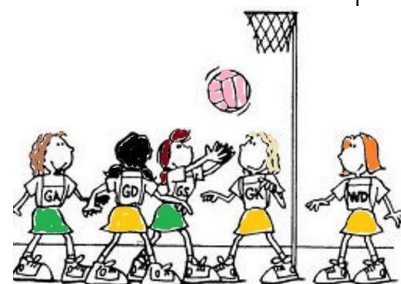
DOUBLE POINTS THIS WEEKEND

Hello, a few Board members of **Hurricanes Netball Club Inc**, have a family member who currently attends Bendigo SDS, and all she wanted to do last year was play netball with her brother and his team. As there was nowhere that she was able to play netball, we are trying to start up a group for any child with a disability under the age of 16 can come along and enjoy in the fun of playing netball.

We are looking at doing this at the Golden City Netball Courts on a Saturday.

Some of the ideas we are thinking of doing on a Saturday include:

- Training skills
- Having fun
- Parents/family joining in to play a game
- Children in the club uniforms



We know that some weeks that the children may not want to play, that will be fine just as long they have fun when they are up there playing netball with the other children.

We are also wishing for parents and family members to come and join in the fun. We will be requiring that parents and carers there on Saturdays to assist us with the children's needs.

We are looking at this as a starting point, where we can join in with an association and ensure the children are having fun. We are hoping we will also be able to introduce other sports the children can do.

Now, we have sponsor who is happy to pay for any uniforms and netball equipment we need.

This idea is open to any child under 16 and with a disability, attending Bendigo SDS, Kalianna and other schools. Once we have an idea of how many children are interested, we are happy to discuss that idea with NDIS to see if we can get funding to pay for any financial outlay that parents need to pay.

If you think this is something your child would be interested in, please email us at hurricanesnc@outlook.com or ring our Secretary, **Patricia**, on **0407 544 937**.